



Wisconsin Conservation Congress
Rules and Resolutions Committee
Meeting Minutes

WCC Meeting Minutes
Form 8300-026 (R 11/17) Page 1 of 3

ORDER OF BUSINESS	06/17/2020	8:30AM	Conference Call/Skype
-------------------	------------	--------	-----------------------

I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by	Tony Blattler at 8:33AM
----------------------------	-------------------------

B. ROLL CALL

ATTENDEES	Tony Blattler, Brad Hopp, Jake Anderson, Ken Anderson, Bob Ellingson, Mike Gullickson, Kevi Smaby, Al Lobner, Butch Roberts, Fred Wollenburg, Reed Kabelowsky, Nathan Budack, Jim Burmeister, Jane Meyer, and Mary Susan Diedrich. DNR Liasons, Kari Lee Zimmerman, Matt O'Brien and Chandra Harvey
EXCUSED	
UNEXCUSED	Matt McHugh
GUESTS	

C. AGENDA APPROVAL/REPAIR

DISCUSSION	Chair Blattler read the agenda
ACTION	No action. Motion to approve by Fred Wollenburg and second by Kevin Smaby. Unanimously approved

D. REVIEW COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT

DISCUSSION	Chair Blattler read the Mission Statement
ACTION	No action taken. Motion to approve by Ken Anderson and second by Kevin Smaby. Unanimously approved

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

DISCUSSION	
ACTION	There were no public comments

II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

- A.** The purpose of this meeting was to discuss and assign the resolutions that were put forth and passed at the Statewide Spring Hearings. [PRESENTER]

DISCUSSION	Chair Blattler stated that the decisions that would be made would be based on the resolves of the resolutions. He would give his predetermined committee appointment and if there was any discussion or opposition towards his decision, the committee could do so. If no objection, the committee would move on to the next resolution.	
ACTION	The committee unanimously agreed with this format.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	

- B.** Assignment of 2020 Resolution to Committees [PRESENTER]

DISCUSSION	With the majority of the suggested assignment by Chair Blattler, the committee was in agreement with a some exceptions that created some discussion. 040120 (Correct the minimum lake size for high-speed boating) Ken Anderson suggested that this should go to the Motorized Recreational Vehicle Committee since it deals with outboard motors. Chair Blattler stated that their mission statement does not say anything about boat motors. Mike Gullickson said that these issues are usually dealt with by counties, lake associations or the DNR. Committee agreed unanimously that it should go to the Legislative Committee. 040220, 090120, 510220, 680320 (Delete NR 10.07(1) from the administrative code and related references to it) Chair Blattler suggested this go to the Bear Committee. There was much discussion that it may go to Turkey and Upland Game because it doesn't just deal with the training of bear dogs. A roll call vote was taken which determined that it go to the Bear Committee by a 11 to 4 vote. 100120 (Disabled trapper permit) Chair Blattler suggested this go to the Legislative Committee. Ken Anderson thought it should go to the Fur Harvest Committee. Kevin Smaby agreed with Ken. Unanimous agreement by the
------------	---

	<p>Committee to send it to Fur Harvest.</p> <p>660620 (Establish perennial vegetative buffers along rivers, streams, and ditches) Chair Blattler suggested this go to the Environment Committee. There was some discussion that it might go to the Land Use Committee. Unanimous approval from the Committee to send it to Environmental.</p> <p>040720 and 410420 (End killing contests in Wisconsin) There was much discussion on whether this should go to Fur Harvest or Legislative. A roll call vote was taken. These resolution went to the Legislative Committee by a 9 to 7 vote.</p> <p>170120 (Provide more tools for CDACs to slow the spread of CWD) Chair Blattler suggested the Deer and Elk Committee. There was some discussion to send it to the CDAC Oversight Committee. Passed unanimously to go to Deer and Elk.</p> <p>620520 (Reduced price for senior citizen and Conservation Patron Licenses) Chair Blattler suggested this go the Legislative Committee. Kevin Smaybe stated that the Committee has sent this type of resolution to the Outdoor Heritage and Education Committee in the past. The Committee unanimously voted to send it to the Outdoor Heritage and Education Committee.</p> <p>660520 (Restore funding for the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program) Kari suggested that there may be funding in the timeline. Chandra stated that this possibly be in January. Kari suggested that this go to the District Leadership Council. Fred Wollenburg agreed with that direction. Unanimous Committee agreement.</p> <p>There were two resolutions that were to be added to the list that needed to be sent to committees. The first was titled "End killing contests in Wisconsin". That was sent to the Legislative Committee and the second was titled "Expand the use of cable restraints" and it will be sent to the Fur Harvest Committee.</p>	
ACTION		
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

III. MEMBERS MATTERS

DISCUSSION	<p>Brad Hopp- Thought the Congress needs to realign its Committees and their mission statements to more reflect the concerns of the times. There were many of resolutions that didn't pass at the county level but by very small margins. The volume of these resolutions and concern and change they suggest cannot be ignored and maybe subjects to be explored in the future.</p> <p>Jake Anderson agreed with Brad</p> <p>Ken Anderson- Enjoyed all the input from the public from the Spring Hearings. Committee Chairs need to review the motion process from their meetings.</p> <p>Bob Ellingson- Agreed with Brads point. Would like to see the formation of study committees. They need to be broader and more fluent.</p> <p>Mike Gullickson- Looks forward to getting together with the Committee in person in the future.</p> <p>Kevin Smaby- Supported Brads matter Concerned about the number of complaints he received from the public about the delay in the input numbers coming out from the Spring Hearings He suggested that Kari should have more help because of the volume of input that we received was a lot to process.</p> <p>Al Lobner- Suggested that white deer be trapped and have their DNA tested to see if they are invasive to our whitetail deer herd.</p> <p>Butch Roberts- Nothing at this time</p> <p>Fred Wollenburg- Appreciated the conference call meeting and would promote more meeting like this in the future. Cautioned CDACs on setting Holiday Hunts. Push back has come from Snowmobiler and concerns about over harvesting.</p> <p>Kari Lee Zimmerman- Stated that Dick Baudhuin has resigned from the Congress and will not be attendance at future meetings and therefore not one the roll call.</p> <p>Reed Kabelowsky- Agreed with Al that white deer are invasive and should not be protected in some areas of the state. YCC has struggled since the COVID outbreak and need input on ideas for projects for them to pursue. Very gratified about the input numbers from the online Spring Hearing.</p> <p>Nathan Budack- As a new member to the committee, he enjoyed the input from committee member on the matters that were presented during the meeting.</p> <p>Jim Burmeister- Would like to see the scope of committees expanded. CDACs need more tools to work with but questioned where they would come from. The needs some attention.</p> <p>Jane Meyer- She was on a committee to change committees in the past. We don't need more committees just need to broaden their scope. She suggested a Zoom format instead of Skype for future meetings.</p> <p>Mary Susan Diedrich- Thanked Kari for effort and hard work and also thanked Reed for his work with the youth of th YCC.</p> <p>Matt O'Brien- Thank everyone for mastering the technology!</p> <p>Kari Lee Zimmerman - Thank all for their cooperation in these time of distancing.</p> <p>Tony Blattler- The great Spring Hearing really helps the WCC cause and leverage. The whole online event was</p>
------------	--

	amazing. Concerned about filling delegate positions with online prevalence, elections for Committees and DLC positions. Fall District meetings will be in July or August. Next meeting topic will include COP changes sometime early next year. Enjoyed the success of this meeting!
ACTION	

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED	Motion to adjourn by Jane Meyer and Second by Al Lobner. Unanimous approval by the com
SUBMITTED BY	Brad Hopp
DATE	06/22/2020